WASHINGTON, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1898.

Modern Shoe Retailing Evidently Appreciated by Holiday Shoppers. Our enormously large Holiday Shoe Busi-XMAS SOUVENIRS ness proves that the advantages of our 3 big shoe establishments are being fully appreciated, namewith Shoe Purchases ly: Our almost unlimited variety of reliable foot-

ON MONDAY.

Prettiest we've ever given. Get one before they're all

wear; quick and efficient store service; prompt delivery; and, above all, exceptionally low prices.

To partly relieve the crowding during the latter part of this week, we shall quote these Special Low Prices for

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

At

Infants' pretty little Bootees, Black, white, tan, red or pink. Reliable Rubber Overshoes, All-wool cloth Overgaiters, Men's and ladies' sizes.

Ladies', misses' and child's Worsted Crochet Slippers. Velvet and Velour Soft Slippers, Men's, ladies' or children's. Children's spring heel kid, Laced and button—4 to 8.

Ladies' warm-lined turn-sole Beaver Luced Boots. Girls' viel kid patent tipped Laced and button-up to 2. Boys' satin calf laced. Solid double soles-11 to 2.

Ladies' flexible leather role Felt Slippers, corded trimmed. Ladies' fleece-lined sateen Juliets-4 different colors Ladies' and misses' \$1.25 grade Kid Button and Laced Boots.

Men's hand-sewed vici kid Children's fleece-lined Best quality Rubber Boots. Boys' cloth, cerduroy and good Tan leather Fauntleroy Leggins.

Men's best tan and brown viel kid Elastic side Romeo Slippers Dolge's famous \$2 for-bound Flexible Juliets for ladies. Ladies' wine color satin Quilted \$2 Juliets.

|| Men's \$2.50 grade vici kid Romeo and low-cut Slippers Ladies' and youths' best grade Warm-lined Rubber Boots Men's and boys' triple sole Casco Calf Laced Shoes.

> Ladies' "Old Glory" hand-sewed Welt Boots-well worth \$2.50. Misses' \$2.50 high-cut Storm Boots Made of best box calf. Boys' \$2.50 hand-sewed calf And Black Vici Kid Shoes.

Boys' heavy extra quality Warm-lined Rubber Boots, Men's high-cut 3-buckle "Beacon" Arctic Overshoes. Ladies' best grade imported Patent Leather Evening Sandals.

Ladles' 7 and 10-inch \$2.00 Tan and black Storm-proof Boots. Men's hand-sewed Cordovan Tan Willow and Box Calf Shoes. Boys' triple-sole hand-made \$3 Tan and Cordovan Shoes.

Men's and boys' patent leather Hand-made lace and button. Ladies' elegant Dress Boots, Kid, patent leather and tan calf. Ladies' Kid-lined Walking Boots,

Men's \$5 grade Winter Russels, Vici kid, enamel or box calf Shoes, Ladies' finest on earth Dress and Walking Boots. \$3.50 Men's extra high Tan Calf,

Three Reliable

1914-16 Pa. Ave.



SEALED PROPOSALS OPENED.

Improvement. Scaled proposals were opened at the Dis-

trict Building yesterday for the improvement of Connecticut Avenue extended, west of Rock Creek, us follows: M. F. Talty-Grading, 26 cents per square

M. F. Talty-Grading, 25 cents per square yard; removing and repairing macadam, 60 cents per square yard; removing and reseiting curb, 20 cents per square yard; repairing macadam, 70 cents per square yard; repairing macadam, 70 cents removing and reseiting curb, 20 cents per square yard; resetting curb, 20 cents per square yard; relaying brick sidewalk, 25 cents per square yard. sidewalk, 20 cents per square yard.

G. B. Mullin-Grading, 24 cents per square yard; repairing macadam, 70 cents per square yard; repairing cobble, 18 cents per square yard; resetting curb, 17 cents per square yard; relaying brick sidewalk,

12 cents per square vard. Cranford Paving Company-Grading, 27 cents per square yard; repairing macadam, 59 cents per square yard; repairing cobble, 27 cents per square yard; resetting curb, 20 cents per square yard; relaying brick sidewalk, 27 cents per square yard. E. G. Gummel-Grading, 21 cents per square yard; repairing macadam, 69 cents

per square yard; repairing cobble, 18 cents COL. CARLOS GARCIA EXPECTED.

12 cents per square yard. Washington Asphalt Block and Tile Company—Grading, 28 cents per square yard; repairing macadam, 65 cents square yard; repairing cobble, 22 cents per square yard; resetting curb, 29 cents per square yard; relaying brick sidewalk, 28

Proposals were also opened at the Dis-trict Building for repairing the plumbing at the Grant School building as follows: William Rockwell Rothwell, \$422; E. J. Hannon, \$372, and S. S. Shedd & Bro.,

Soldiers' Deaths at Manila.

The War Department yesterday received a dispatch from Gen. Otis, com manding at Manila, announcing the following deaths since his last report George O. Larson, corporal in Company A. Utah Artillery, of typhold fever, a: James Healy, private in Company I, Eighteenth Infantry, of cerebral hemor-rhage, the result of an accidental fall.

WILL test your eyes with the most modern and ap-

proved methods known to science—the Improved Oph-

thalmometer. It never fails to diagnose a case correctly.

If you are troubled with your eyes come and see me.

The examination is absolutely free, and if you require

glasses I will ask you the lowest possible price for

them. The question of payment is entirely left to you.

F. Proctor Donahey,

934 F St. NW.

I only ask \$1 down and 50c a week.

At Carl Petersen's,

The Improved Ophthalmometer.

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meeting yesterday morning and the mem-

the conference lasted for over an hour. Cuba by the Americans. The members of the commission will remain here but a few days longer. They will have another conference with the Secretary of State before reporting to the Cuban assembly, and will then return to Cuba.

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Col. Carlos Garcia, the son of the late Gen. Garcia, will arrive here this after-moon from Santiago. He will superintend the removal of the remains of his father

TO PREPARE THE TREATY.

Final Work of the Joint High Commission.

The Anglo-American Joint High Commission adjourned until Monday after the meeting yesterday morning. After the nacting on Monday the commission will adjourn until January 5.

It is stated officially that when the comsion meets at the latter date work will at once be commenced upon the treaty between the United States and Canada. This treaty, when completed, will be sent to the Senate before January 20. The treaty will be considered and ratified in executive session.

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PETITION FOR BANKRUPTCY.

William F. Matthews, of Lynchburg,

Asks for Insolvent Rights. William F. Matthews yesterday filed a petition for voluntary bankruptcy in the upreme Court of the District, in which he prayed to be accorded the rights of a bankrupt within the purview of the law. In his petition he stated that he formerly carried on business in Lynchburg, Va. and that in the year 1890 he made an assignment of all his property for the bene-

signment of all his property for the benefit of his creditors.

Most of these creditors, as is shown by
the list of liabilities attached to his petition, are residents and business men in
different parts of the State of Virginia.
It is also shown by the record that these
creditors have already obtained judgments for the amounts due them in the
courts of that State. ourts of that State. Matthews's liabilities amount to nearly \$18,000 while his only assets, he alleges, is wearing apparel valued at \$50.

A FORMER POLICEMAN INJURED

Samuel H. Reeder Slips on an ley

Pavement in Alexandria. Samuel H. Reeder, a former Washington policeman, who is employed in Alexandria, met with a serious accident in that city last night. He was attempting to overtake the 7 o'clock train for this

city, when he slipped on the icy roadway and fell, shattering his knee cap and breaking his left leg.

The police ambulance met the train at the corner of Thirteen-and-a-half and E Streets and removed Mr. Reeder to the Emergency Hospital. His home is at No.

Strange Scenes That Greet the New-Comer.

UNDER AMERICAN CONTROL

How the Spaniards Are Employing Their Last Hours in Cuba-The Native Kiss Described-The Departure of the Orden Publico-Highwaymen Have Grown Bold.

Havana, Cuba, Nov. 16.-Travelers who ere acquainted with the Queen of the Antilles under the Spanish regime find her today with the same old peculiarities, showing off odder than ever in contrast to American innovations.

As of yore, the approaching steamer is beset by a fleet of boats of obsolete pattern, brought from Southern Europe centuries ago, which are affont what the volunte is ashore. The queer craft-half scow, half market wagon-are furnished with sails as well as paddles. Each has a cover, suggesting a chicken coop, and bright awnings, cushions, and bits of carpet impart a dejusive air of comfort which pet impart a delusive air of comfort which experience speedily belies. To get under the low cover you must double yourself up like a jack-knife, and presently the flapping sail, impelled by sportive breezes, knocks your hat down over your nose, while dancing billows sprinkle your back with spray and wash the kink out of your crimps and feathers. The negro boatmen, who have recently incorporated a kttle English into their native lingo. sing out: "Senor! Senora! Aqui! Look a me. Un barque bueno quatte dolla cada uno. Vaminos! All right."

The old-time tariff from steamer to wharf, as yet unchanged by the new au-20 cents for a trunk and 5 cents for every vallee or parcel. The largest boats are permitted to carry only ten passengers, and those of singler size no more than garrison of Havana five. After suseet and on stormy days defiled, but what the boatmen may demand reales fuertes and file had no idea. for their services—that is, silver coin in-stead of Spanish currency—and between 10:30 p. m. and day-break no boats are al-

when so many refugees are returning to Cuba, the bay is covered with private yachts and gally curtained boats, filled with Creole families of the better class, awaiting the strival of friends and rela-tives. Every steamer brings them and the instant its strive are let down the the instant its stairs are let down the

welcomers swarm on board.

And then what a chattering ensues—what tears of fey and hysterical embraces! The men throw their arms around one ane ber and liss as fervently as the women-with this difference: Walle he men salute each other by one resoundng smack, delivered square on the mousached mouth, the women kiss twice, merely touching their lips to the other's cheeks-first the right and then the left The "Cuban kass' is extremely graceful-the female kiss i mean-when one gets used to it, but the neophyte is apt to bun-

Snugly ensconced under the bird cage The Bids for Connecticut Avenue per square yard; resetting curb, II cents

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The Cuban Commission Confers long ride to shore delightful, in spite of With Secretary Hay.

The Cuban commission held a short passed the sentinel light-house at the harshifting sails and dashing spray. Having bor's entrance, you glide right under the bers then held a conference with Secretary Hay at the State Department, They were introduced by Senor Quesada and believed by blue and canary colored casas. Past La The conference was private and related which lifts its crumbling walls above a which lifts its crumbling walls above a to matters affecting the government of mass of coral rock; past the Cabanas perched at every angle, picturesque relica of the military architecture that pre-vailed when the Moors and Spaniards were fighting in Granada. The Moro, with its Dahlgren guns peering through yellow stones, might be Malta, broken loose from its moorings in the Mediterranean and floated over to anthorage in the Carib-bean, both having been built on a similar plan a little more than three centuries ago, when Philip II was king.

Stars and Stripes in Evidence. The celebrated harbor is shaped like an open hand, its entrance representing the wrist, the city spreading out like fingers, and the palm broad enough to hold the navies of the world. Just now the Stars

and Stripes are most in evidence among the flags of all nations.

A group of American steamers, Government transports and men-of-war surround what is left of the Maine, and we passed that spot of saddest memories with a feeling of satisfaction that the outrage has been avenged. Evidently the same thought was in the minds of our fellow-passengers. Said one: "I wonder when Spain will blow up another Ameri-

can vessel?"
"Guess she won't want to try that lit-tic trick on a Yankee ship again," re-marked another.

marked another.

The long wharves where you land are faced by, the Caballera, an immensabuilding, open to the water, with glittering zine roof, supported the entire length by clusters of iron pillars. From time immemorial this has been the great rendezvous of island trade—the chamber of commerce, the hourse, of Cuba. On the left is the Caga Blanca, once popularly supposed to guard the city—a pleasant little fiction long nursed by the ctizens. Farther on is the village of Regla, with its great wagehouses of stone and with its great warehouses of stone and corrugated iron, for storing sugar; and in front is the busy Aduana or custom house. But here is a marked change f. om the drowsy old times of the land where-in it seemeth always afternoon." Now all is bustle, confusion, and one hears less of Spanish, with its softly flowing vowels and superlative adjectives, than blant to the-point American sentences. A mighty procession of mules, horses, ambulances and army wagons, laden with stores and upplies from the transports, is constant-tolling up from the landing; and as left drivers force a way through the their drivers force a way through the narrow streets—i feat almost as difficult as for the typical camel to go through the needle's eye—the air is filled with the cracking of whips and the special swear words without which it is said that army mules cannot be managed. Solder.—soldiers everywhere! And wearers of Une a Samuel's livery are almost as thick as the warriors of Spain: at any rate, the former are more conspicuous, moving briskly about with the confident air of victors. One misses the late omnipresent orden publico and guardia civil—the Spanish Infantry who performed police duty in guarding the city until their deporta-tion a few days ago. They were an ad-mirable body of men-to look at, in their picturesque uniforms of dark blue demin, with trimmings of red or green, and their Mauser rifles warranted to kill at the dis-tance of a mile and a haif. All were of Spanish birth, the pick of the troops in Cuba; and to be eligible for service in the guardia civil a man must have some edu-cation and furnish references of good character.

The Orden Publico.

The latter clause is a delicate bit of irony which many poor souls will appre-ciate. They were the alleged prote tors of the American consulate at the begin-ning of hostilities, and Consul General their bullets than he will probably ever again encounter. The orden publico fur-nished Weyler and Blanco with I cal sples in addition to their other duties-peering into windows, intimidating cridren, servants and women, and reporting scraps of overheard conversation which crowded the prisons and sent whole famdistinguished services was such as Span usually metes out to her faithful subjects. Most of the men had families in the mether country, and in spite of short pay and iong arrearages, they manused by considerable self-sacrifice to save a little for the loved ones at home. The money, which in many cases told of one scant meal instead of three a day, was intrusted to their superior office s it a kind of regimental savings fund. They had not received a cent of pay for several

Perhaps the superiors were not so much to blame. In their own salary was far in arrears and they are compelled to maintain a certain amount of style be-fitting their position. No curbstone onefitting their position. No curbstone one-meal-a-day system for them! The dig-nity of old Spain demands that they live in good hotels, attended by their valets and order their wines, though the cash to pay for it comes out of plebian pockets. When the day of reckoning came, the orden publicos naturally "kicked," as the Yankeea say. Then the question became how to get rid of them peaceably, as their just demands could no more be met than blood can be squeezed from a turnip. Early on the morning of the lith, they were called out without previous warning, marched on without previous warning, marched on board a transport and headed for home, before they realized what was going on. The censored press announced: "The different battallons which constitute the garrison of Havana will this morning defiled," but what that meant, the rank

Solving a Predicament.

Soon us reveille sounded, the Saragossi lowed to cross the bay.

If you are so formante as to have friends in Havama they are sure to come out to the steamer to escort you ove the two or three nales of intervening water and orden publicos among the rest. Down the beautiful Prado they marched flags flying and bands playing; then along Obispo Street to the Caballeria wharf-where, somehow, those to be deported got where, somehow, those to be deported got Obispo Street to the Caballeria wharf-where, somehow, those to be deported got separated from the rest and their evolutions led them over a gang-plank individual seed them over seed them over a gang-plank individual seed them over a gang-plank individu and many believe that their destination is one of those terrible penal settlements of Africa. The guardin civiles went of Africa. The guardia civiles went next, so closely guarded and surrounded by other troops that any hostile demonstration on their part was impossible. This sudden removal of the police force, such as it was, renders life and property such as it was, renders life and property. less secure than ever in the Cuban capital. The lawless element are enjoying a armival of crime, in which murders and

obbery are of hourly occurrence. The City in Dauger. Not only is it unsafe to walk the city

streets after nightfall, but peaceful citizens are not secure within their own cases. Though an entrance may not be easily effected through the grated windows or thick, heavily barred doors, any-body can scale the low, flat walls; and when a burglar has dropped down into the unroofed, central patio, with which al the rooms communicate, the premises are practically at his mercy. Highwaymen have grown so bold that working people, known to draw a salary, dare tobacco factory was held up in a body last Saturday afternoon and compelled to hand over the week's small wages. The street car running to Jesus del Monte and the Cerro-the suburb in which Miss Bar-ton's orphanage is established, near the Red Cross headquarters, where I lived las Spring-has been stopped by knights of the road twice within a week and the passengers forced to "stand and deliver Our home was barely a mile from the heart of the city, but now to go out there alone, on foot or in a carriage, would be to certainly fall among thieves-or wo "Madre Espana" lead to murders innum erable, now that restraint is removed, Prominent citizens and others known to have been ardent in the cause of freedo suddenly disappear, sometimes in going the distance of a block, and are heard of no more, and it is darkly whispered that blood-curdling tragedies are nightly en-acted in the Cabanas and other prisons. Such was the case of Senor Beatto, a wealthy contractor of Matanzas, who was recently summoned by Blanco to Havana. He came with his family and was next day arrested on some vague charge never definitely stated, and it has since leaked out that he was murdered in prison in the most diabolically cruel manner. Thus are the departing Spaniards improving their last hours in Cuba and making hay while the sun shines in the way of set-

tling old grudges. FANNIE BRIGHAM WARD.

Customs in the Colonies. Mr. Melklejohn, Acting Secretary yesterday issued the following "A division is hereby created in known as the division of customs and insular affairs. The classes of business as-signed to this division will embrace all matters pertaining to the customs of the islands of Porto Rico, Cuba and the Philippines, and all civil affairs relating to those islands as distinguished from matters of a military character connect-ed with the government of the islands."

Killed by a Drill Engine

on, a flagman on the Jersey and Seashore Railroad, was struck by a drill engine at Second and Main Streets at noon today. His body was horribly man-gled and he died almost instantly.

Gift Slippers at Reduced Prices.

We have too large a stock of Men's and Ladies' Slippers, so have cut their prices right on the eve of the Xmas buying. These prices should create the greatest six-day slipper selling in the city's history!

For Ladies.

Ladies' Fleece-lined Felt Fur-Slippers, in black, brown and red. Value, \$2.00. \$1.79

Ladles' Fleece-lined Felt in black, brown Value \$1.29

For Men.

Man's Soft Fine Vici trimmed "Juliets," or high-cut Kid high-cut "Romeo" Slip pers, graceful and warmthgiving, in black and russet. Value \$2,50. Now

"Jenness Miller" Shoes

Make Ideal Gifts. a woman than by presenting her with a pair of the famous "Jenness Miller" Hygienic Shoes! They are as graceful as they are comfortable and they "fit the feet as nature intended." "Jenness Miller" Shoes are only to be

had of us in this city-If you do not know the size, we

change them after the bolloays.

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The young people of the Christian En-

Christine Strong, Miss Fiske, Julius Cacsar Smith, W. S. Stamper, Rachel Goodenough, Miss Alice Byrnes, Dorothy Ruster, Miss Cwnella Smow, Billique Call, L. Gary; Luchdy Floorwalker, Miss

A Barrel of Wine to Enliven Christmas Jollity---Port or Sherry for \$1.50.

That's the way we're clearing out the magnificent grocery and liquor stock of Keyworth's. It's as good wine as you'll come across during your holiday festivities-a wine with richness of flavor that tells of the best vintage of the California slopes. The price—ridiculous absurd as it may seem-places you in possession of wine, barrel, and spigot all for

Marvelous prices on Fine Groceries and Liquors.

The Best New Nuts, 10 cents per lb., 10 1-2 lbs, for.....\$1.00 The Best Maple Syrup, pure sap, at 75c per gal, The Best Columbia River Steak Salmon, 25-cent tins at. 12 1/c The Best Green Gage Plums, extra heavy syrup, 20cent tins at...... 10c

The Best Imported Sardines, 25-cent tins at. 8 c Whole Hand-packed Tomatoes, \$1.25 goods at .. 80c per dez. California Cherries, extra heavy syrup, 30-cent tins at 15 c California Peaches, extra heavy syrup, 30-cent tins at.... 15c \$1.00 bottles of the Best Imported Olive Oil at...... 48:

A Few Items in Our Wine and Liquor Dept. Imported Creme de Menth e at 30c per bot Maraschino Cherries-the \$1.25 bottles at 65c per bot.

\$1.50 Whiskies, 75c per full qt.

8-year-old Monticello, Mount Vernon, Sherwood, and Woodlawn Whiskies, which never sell for less than \$1.50. Go at 75c full quarts.

Silver Wedding Whisky,

The best on earth Reduced to \$1.00 per quart; \$4.00 per gallon.

\$1.50 Wines, 75c. for a whole gallon, The best 10-year-old Sherry, Port, Catawba, or Blackberry Wines, which sell for \$1.50 to \$2.00, go at 75 cents per gallon. All other goods at the same enormous reductions. Call and convince yourselves by comparing our prices and goods with others. Everything guaranteed as

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